

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Geiben Lynn, *et al.*
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/057,613 EXAMINER: Stacy Brown Chen
FILING DATE: January 25, 2002 ART UNIT: 1648
FOR: Serpin Drugs for Treatment of HIV Infection and Method of Use Thereof

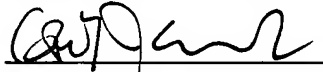
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the Final Office action mailed January 15, 2004 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before May 17, 2004 (May 15, 2004 being a Saturday). A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 23659-501. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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